

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**  
Under Small Entity Status

Attorney Docket No:  
90018.0.30

Application Serial Number:  
09/522,160

Filing Date:  
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Examiner:  
Thompson, Kathryn L

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Invention: Port Device for Subcutaneous Access to the Vascular System of a Patient

**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	30	MINUS	30	0		\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	10	MINUS	9	1	\$ 44.00	\$ 44.00

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of \_\_\_\_\_ to and through \_\_\_\_\_, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

one month  
 two months

three months  
 four months

**TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT**

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

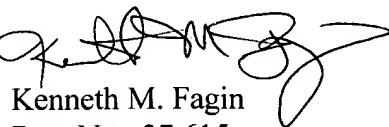
A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is attached.

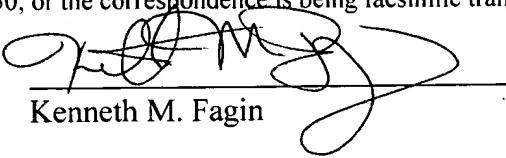
Charge \$ 44.00 to Deposit Account 50-2382.

No additional fee is required.

October 18 2004  
date

  
Kenneth M. Fagin  
Reg. No. 37,615

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Amendment

Dear Sir:

In response to the Quayle Action of September 22, 2004, and in further response to the  
Office Action of December 2, 2003, please amend this application as follows:

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